



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 822

January Session, 2003

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SERVICES
FOR THE BLIND.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 4-9a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (a) The Governor shall appoint the chairperson and executive
5 director, if any, of all boards and commissions within the Executive
6 Department, except the Board of Governors of Higher Education,
7 provided the Governor shall appoint the initial chairman of said board
8 as provided in section 10a-2, the State Properties Review Board, the
9 State Elections Enforcement Commission, the Commission on Human
10 Rights and Opportunities, the State Ethics Commission, the
11 Commission on Aging, the Board of Education and Services for the
12 Blind and the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control.

13 Sec. 2. Section 10-294 of the general statutes is repealed and the
14 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

15 The [Governor] Board of Education and Services for the Blind shall
16 appoint an executive director of the board. [in accordance with the
17 provisions of section 4-9a.] The compensation of said director shall be
18 determined in the manner provided in section 4-40. No member of the
19 board shall receive compensation for services rendered unless such

20 services are special and specially requested by the board, in which case
 21 a moderate allowance may be made for the time actually spent. The
 22 certificate of the director of the amount of any bill for such services and
 23 expenses shall be sufficient warrant to the Comptroller for the
 24 payment of the same.

25 Sec. 3. Section 10-298a of the general statutes is repealed and the
 26 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

27 [The Board of Education and Services for the Blind is authorized (1)
 28 to] There shall be an Industries Division within the Board of Education
 29 and Services for the Blind. There shall be a director of said division,
 30 who shall be provided with sufficient staff. The division shall (1)
 31 maintain and develop workshops for training and employing blind
 32 persons in trades and occupations suited to their abilities, for the
 33 purpose of producing suitable products and services used by
 34 departments, agencies and institutions of the state and its political
 35 subdivisions, including, but not limited to towns, cities, boroughs and
 36 school districts; (2) [to] aid blind persons in securing employment, in
 37 developing home industries and in marketing their products and
 38 services; and (3) [to] develop and implement rules and guidelines to
 39 guarantee that the dignity and rights of citizens involved in such
 40 workshops and work training programs shall be maintained.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>

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